GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2999
ANSWERED ON:10.08.2000
ADDITIONAL LINES BETWEEN KURLA-THANE
DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railway Authority have finalised the completion schedule of Kurla-Thane (Mumbai) additional lines project;

(b) whether the resettlement progreamme of hutments near Vikhroli and Bhandup has been finalised;

(c) if so, the reasons for delay of above project;

(d) the budgetary provision made for this project during 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 and the amount released so far; and

(e) the present status of the project?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

a) to e) A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2999 BY SHRI KI SOMAIYA TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2000 REGARDING ADDITIONAL LINES BETWEEN KURLA-THANE.

a) Yes Sir. The project is likely to be completed by March 2002.

b) The project is a part of Mumbai Urban Transport Project- II(MUTP-II).Rehabilitation & Resettlement (R&R) of hutments of MUTP projects is being handled by Project Monitoring Unit set up in Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority. They have tentatively finalised the R&R programme of shifting the hutment dwellers in transit accommodation by December, 2000 and in permanent tenements by December, 2002.

c) The time taken in resettlement of hutment dwellers has delayed the completion of the project.

d) During the year 1999-2000, Rs.40 crores was provided and out of that Rs.27.90 crores was utilised. In the current year i.e. 2000-2001, a provision of Rs.24 crores has been made.

e) The project has been sanctioned in two phases:-

i) Kurla −Bhandup (10 kms.- Phase-I:- Physical progress of the project at the end of March, 2000 was 50% and financial progress was 48.87%.

ii) Bhandup-Thane (7 kms) Phase-II:- Physical progressof the project at the end of March, 2000 was 22% and financial progress was 20.51%.

Progress of work has been affected due to time taken in acquisition of land and removal of encroachments.